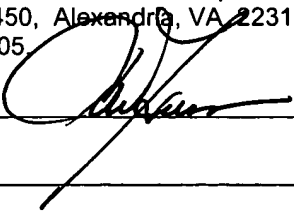
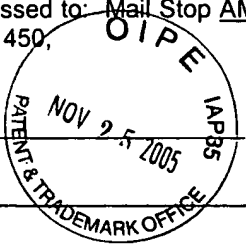


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir/Madam:

Applicants respond to the outstanding Office action mailed on July 19, 2005 as follows:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.